

SOUTHERN BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED
VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS, BUILDING 70

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(Southern Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer
Soldiers, Barracks, Ward 6)

(Hampton Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Hospital, Ward 6)

(Hampton Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Alcohol Treatment Ward
6/Barracks Company D)

(Hampton Veterans Affairs Medical Center , Building 70)

Sewell Avenue

Hampton

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Location: Sewell Avenue

Significance: This building was erected after the completion of a facility master plan by John Calvin Stevens in 1906. Stevens received the contract for the completion of the master plan the subsequent contract to design buildings at the facility in an open patch of land that served as a garden at the northwest end of the facility. Increased need for residential facilities and dining facilities prompted this building's construction for the growing member population during the early 20th century. Constructed in 1908, it served as a barracks for members through 1997.

Description: Constructed in 1908, this building is situated among buildings dating to the same period that exhibit similar architectural characteristics. Sited with Buildings 69, 71 and 72, these buildings were originally connected with walkways, which allowed patients to move between them. The building is brick construction laid in 5-course American bond and is two stories. Topped by a hipped roof, it has symmetrical facades with a prominent one-story Colonial Revival porch on the main façade with square brick columns articulated with stone bases and capitals. Windows punctuate each elevation at regularly spaced intervals and comprise vinyl six-over-six double-hung sashes that are smaller than the openings. The windows are articulated with soldier course brick segmental arches accentuated by stone keystones and springers. The double-leaf doors on the north and south elevations feature wood fanlights framed by a rounded brick arch embellished with soldier course bricks and stone keystone and springers.

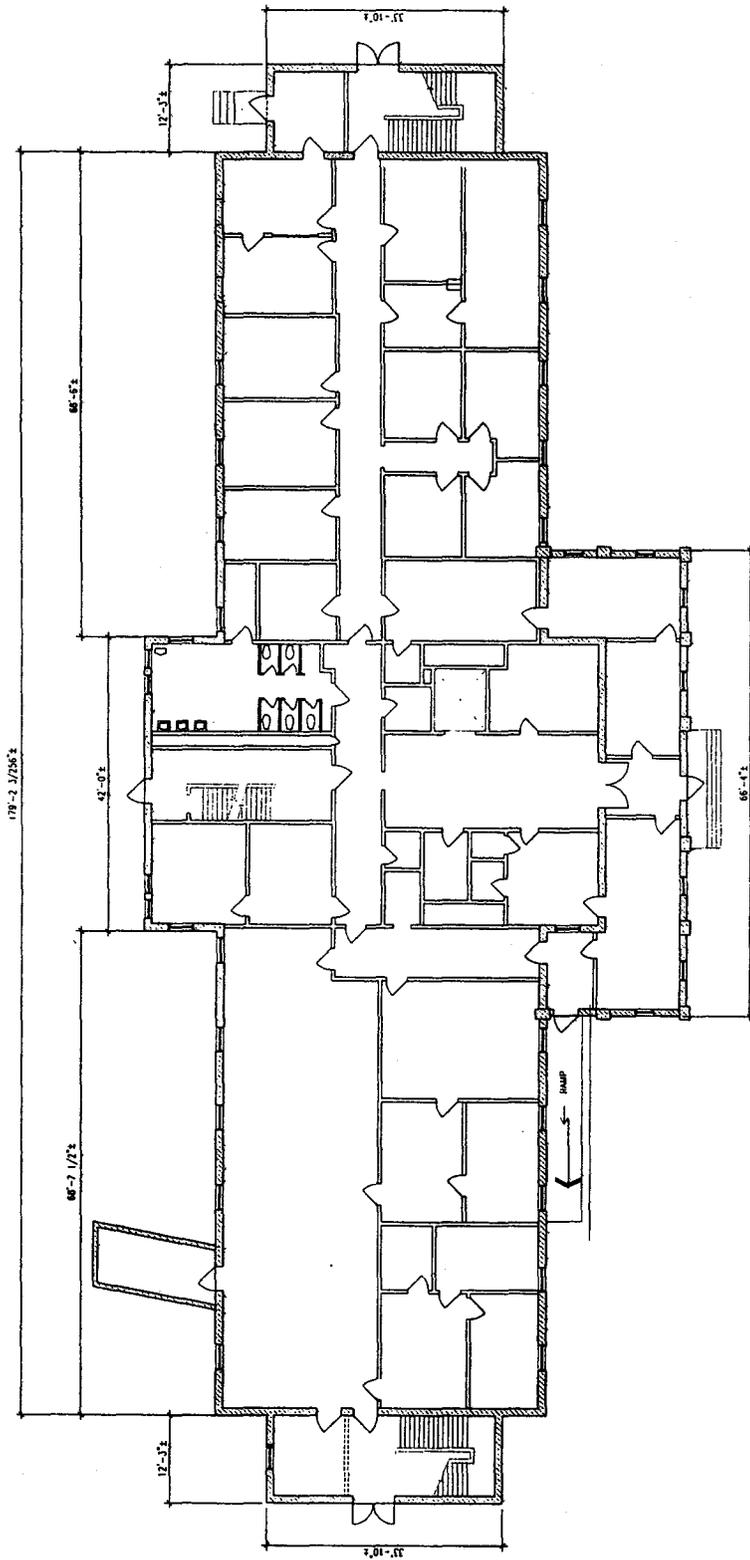
The interior of the building comprises a core of offices, lavatories, elevator, and stairs. The building ends comprised open dormitory spaces that have been subdivided into small rooms. Stairwells are also found at the building ends. Modifications to the building include changes made to the interior configuration with the addition of office partitions. The porch was enclosed and converted for use as offices. Original windows have been removed and have been filled with brick and smaller windows.

History: Building 70 was constructed as a barracks in 1908 and was designed by John Calvin Stevens, of Portland, ME. This was one a number of buildings erected during this period, including a chapel, dining hall and barracks within Stevens' plan, which used "Garden City Movement" plans, which provided for more connection among the buildings. Stevens designed the buildings in the Colonial Revival style, which was prevalent during this period, echoing the heritage of the United States.

The building's use remained constant at the Home though changed over time to include offices and outpatient treatment facilities.

Sources: Elizabeth Jo Lampl and Kristin M. Fetter, Robinson & Associates, Inc., "National Register of Historic Places nomination: Southern Branch-National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers," National Park Service, 1994. The historic district has been determined for listing in the National Register of Historic Places and the determination is located in the History Division, National Park Service.

Historian: Kimble A. David, Architectural Historian, 2008.



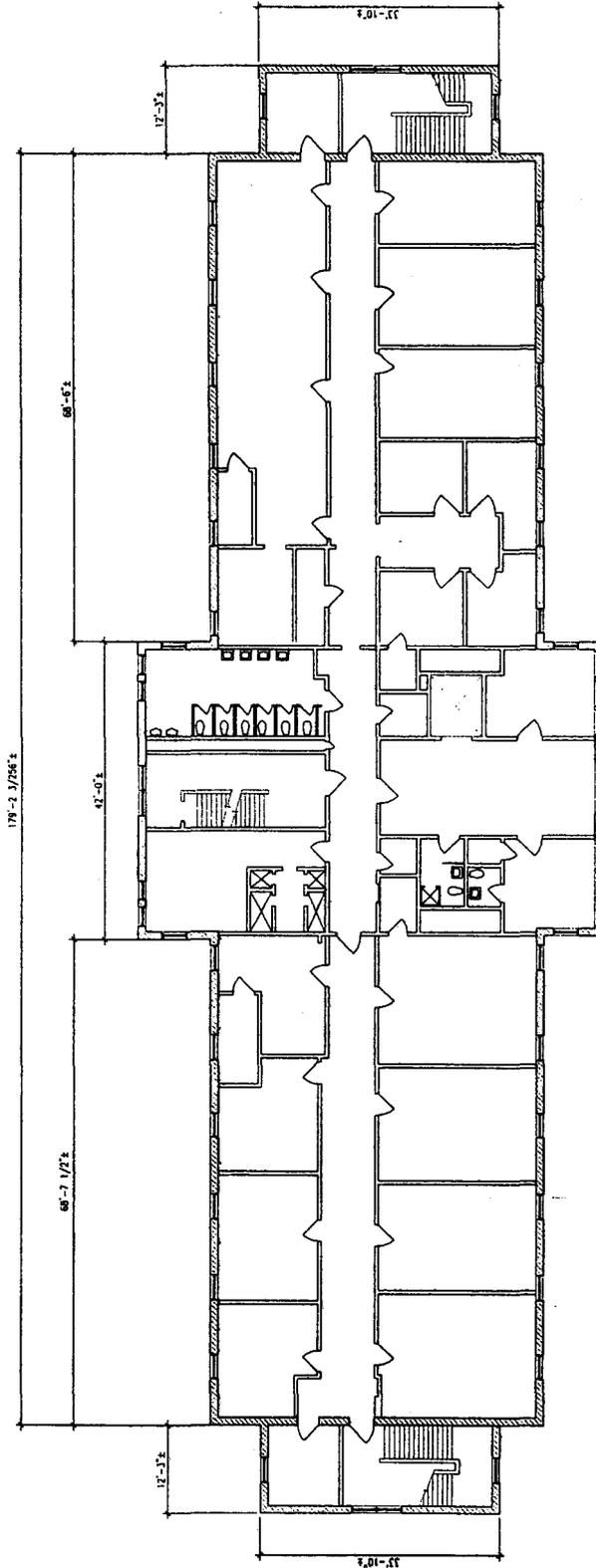
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN

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2ND FLOOR PLAN



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